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**Q1 [40%]** Answer **five** of the following, justifying your response in each case.

**[8% each]**

- (a) Let  $X$  be a set. How many  $\sigma$ -algebras of subsets of  $X$  contain exactly five elements?
- (b) Let  $\mathcal{A}_1$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2$  be  $\sigma$ -algebras of subsets of a set  $X$ . Show that  $\mathcal{A}_1 \cap \mathcal{A}_2$  is also a  $\sigma$ -algebra.
- (c) Determine  $\liminf A_n$  and  $\limsup A_n$  for the sequence  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of sets given by

$$A_n = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{n} - 2, 1\right), & n \text{ odd}, \\ \left(0, 3 + \frac{1}{n}\right), & n \text{ even}. \end{cases}$$

- (d) Determine the Lebesgue measure of the subset of  $[0, 1]$  whose elements have neither first nor second digit in their decimal expansion equal to “0”.
- (e) Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$  be a probability space and  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  a sequence of events in  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\mathbb{P}(A_n) = \frac{1}{7^n}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Determine the probability of the event  $\limsup A_n$ .
- (f) Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu) = (\Omega, \mathcal{E}, \mathbb{P})$  is the Bernoulli probability space associated to our share-price model, where  $\Omega = \{(\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \omega_j \in \{u, d\} \ \forall j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the simple events  $E_n = \{(\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \Omega \mid \omega_n = u\}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Determine whether the sequence  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of events in  $\mathcal{E}$  defined by

$$A_n = E_n^c \cap E_{n+3}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

is an independent sequence of events.

- (g) Let  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{L}, \lambda)$  be the Lebesgue measure space and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a function with  $f(x) = 127e^x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{Q}^c$ . Show that  $f$  is measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{L}$ .
- (h) Show, with justification, that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_2^4 \frac{1}{x^n} dx = \ln(3).$$

- (i) Let  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{L}, \lambda)$  be the Lebesgue measure space and  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a non-negative, measurable function. If  $f_n = f \cdot \chi_{[\frac{1}{n}, 1]} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\chi_A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  denotes the characteristic function of the subset  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ , show that

$$\int_{(0,1]} f d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[\frac{1}{n}, 1]} f d\lambda.$$

- (j) Which of the following numbers belong to the Cantor set?

$$(i) \ \frac{1}{27}, \quad (ii) \ \frac{4}{27}, \quad (iii) \ (0.21)_3, \quad (iv) \ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{9^k}.$$

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**Q2 [20%]**

(a) Give the definitions of the following terms:

(i) an algebra; (ii) an additive set function; (iii) a  $\sigma$ -algebra; (iv) a measure. [8%]

(b) Let  $(X, \mathcal{A})$  be a measurable space and let  $Y \subset X$  be a proper, non-trivial subset of  $X$ . Show that

$$\mathcal{A}_Y = \{A \cap Y \mid A \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $Y$ . [6%]

(c) Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a measure space and let  $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of sets in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Show that

$$\mu \left( \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n). \quad [6\%]$$

**Q3 [20%]** Let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{A}$  a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$ .

(a) Define what it means for a function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  to be measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$ . [2%]

(b) Suppose  $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$  and that  $g(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . Show that the function  $\frac{1}{g} : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is also measurable. [6%]

(c) Suppose  $A \subset X$  is not an element of the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . Let  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the sequence of functions given by

$$f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; x \mapsto 1 - \frac{1}{n} \chi_A(x), \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\chi_A : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  denotes the characteristic function of  $A$ .

(i) Show that, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the function  $f_n$  is not measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$ . [6%]

(ii) Show that the sequence  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly to a function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{A}$ . [6%]

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**Q4 [20%]** Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a complete measure space.

- (a) Define the  $\mu$ -integral of a measurable, simple function, and use this to define  $\mu$ -integrability for measurable, simple functions and for non-negative, measurable functions. [6%]
- (b) If  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a  $\mu$ -integrable, measurable function, show that  $|f| : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $\mu$ -integrable. [4%]
- (c) Suppose that  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{L}, \lambda)$  is the Lebesgue measure space and that  $A \subset [-1, 2]$  is not an element of the Lebesgue  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{L}$ . Consider the function

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; x \mapsto \begin{cases} 3, & x \in A, \\ -3, & x \in [-1, 2] \setminus A, \\ 0, & x \notin [-1, 2]. \end{cases}$$

- (i) Show that  $f$  is not Lebesgue integrable. [2%]
- (ii) Show that  $|f|$  is Lebesgue integrable and compute  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f| d\lambda$ . [4%]
- (d) Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu) = (\Omega, \mathcal{E}, \mathbb{P})$  is the Bernoulli probability space associated to our share-price model, where  $\Omega = \{(\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \mid \omega_j \in \{u, d\} \forall j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  is the (completion of the)  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the simple events  $E_n = \{(\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \Omega \mid \omega_n = u\}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Compute the expected value  $\mathbb{E}(Y)$  of the random variable  $Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$Y = 3\chi_{E_1 \cap E_2} - 10\chi_{E_1^c \cap E_3^c \cap E_4^c} + 12\chi_{E_5},$$

where  $\chi_A : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  denotes the characteristic function of a subset  $A \subset \Omega$ . [4%]